Bride to be

6 inch (15 cm) hoop, 4.9 × 4.9 in (12.4 × 12.4 cm)



Colors by number: page 2.
Fabric: blush pink cotton or linen.

What you need

A 6 inch (15 cm) hoop.

A 9 inch (23 cm) square of blush pink cotton or linen.

An embroidery needle, size 9.

16 colors of floss (page 2): one skein of each color (an estimate from the drawing's lines and shapes).

A water-soluble pen, and small scissors.

Onto the fabric

Fabric you can see through: page 3 taped to a sunny window, the fabric over it; trace.

Other fabric: dressmaker's carbon paper, colored side down, page 3 on top; trace with a ballpoint.

Iron-on pen: go over page 4, the mirrored page, and press it ink side down as the pen's packet says. The lines stay.

Then hoop it, inner ring under, tight as a drum.

How to read it

Floss has six strands: cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number named one at a time, and lay them together.

Start a filling with tiny stitches, a line with a small knot; end under stitches on the back.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches.

New to this: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.

Stitch in this order

Where a stitch page says otherwise, follow this list.

1. **Stem stitch**, 2 strands
   Stems

2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Leaves



3. **Long and short stitch**
   1 strand
   Rose petals, far wings, bellies, throats, backs, near wings, small wing feathers, shoulders



4. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Scalloped border, lettering, small lettering, buds, sepals, tails, bills, ribbon, ring, breast bands, foreheads, eyes, setting, diamond



5. **Stem stitch**, 3 strands
   Inner rule

6. **Straight stitch**
   1 strand: stamens
   2 strands: sparkles



7. **Split stitch**, 1 strand
   Petal edges, feather edges

8. **Back stitch**, 1 strand
   Diamond edges

9. **Padded satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Heart



10. **French knot**, two wraps
    2 strands: rose centers
    1 strand: eye centers



Take out lines that still show, press face down, finish the hoop.

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A number is a color of the list. Fine lines show which way the stitches lie: do not stitch them.



1	DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue	**7**	DMC 3328 Dark Salmon	**13**	DMC 3822 Light Straw
2	DMC 932 Light Antique Blue	**8**	DMC 760 Salmon	**14**	DMC 3865 Winter White
3	DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue	**9**	DMC 761 Light Salmon	**15**	DMC 3841 Pale Baby Blue
4	DMC 3777 Very Dark Terra Cotta	**10**	DMC 782 Dark Topaz	**16**	DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue
5	DMC 3363 Medium Pine Green	**11**	DMC 3820 Dark Straw		
6	DMC 3052 Medium Green Gray	**12**	DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue		

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Print at 100% and measure the square. Trace the black lines only. The gray ring is the hoop: fold the fabric in four and lay the folds on its ticks.

On the drawing a ring is one French knot: mark a dot; a broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.



1 in
25.4 mm

Not 1 inch (25.4 mm)? Print again at 100%.

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For an iron-on pen only. Go over the lines, press ink side down.



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